

Claim Amendments

1. (currently amended) A deflecting roller (1) for a traction mechanism drive, composed of an annular body (4), against the lateral surface (4.2) of which a traction mechanism, in particular a belt, bears, having a rolling bearing (2) which is composed of an inner ring (5) and an outer ring (3), wherein the outer ring (3) is enclosed by a holding bore of the annular body (4), and the deflecting roller (1) is fixed to a screw-on surface by means of a fastening screw (12) which extends through a holding bore of the inner ring (5) and a holding bore of a spacer sleeve (10), wherein the distance between the screw-on surface and the deflecting roller (1) is determined by the axial extent of the spacer sleeve (10) which is held against the deflecting roller (1) by means of a transport securing means, wherein ~~characterized in that~~ a guide collar (10.5) of the spacer sleeve (10) is held by the holding bore (5.1) of the inner ring (5), and the guide collar (10.5) has a recess (10.4) in which an elastic holding element (11) is inserted, said elastic holding element (11) bearing against the holding bore (5.1) of the inner ring (5) under preload.
2. (currently amended) The deflecting roller (1) as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~characterized in that~~ the holding element (11) is formed as a slotted holding ring.
3. (currently amended) The deflecting roller (1) as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~characterized in that~~ the holding element (11) is formed as a plastic O-ring.
4. (currently amended) The deflecting roller (1) as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~characterized in that~~, in the region of its screw head (12.2), the fastening screw (12) is centered by means of a guide step (12.3) which is fitted into the holding bore (5.1) of the inner ring (5).
5. (currently amended) The deflecting roller (1) as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~characterized in that~~ a shoulder (10.3) of the spacer sleeve (10) is supported against an end side of the inner ring (5).
6. (currently amended) The deflecting roller (1) as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~characterized in that~~ the spacer sleeve (10) is produced from an aluminum material.

7. (currently amended) The deflecting roller ~~{1}~~ as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~characterized in that~~ the rolling bearing ~~{2}~~ is formed as a single-row deep groove ball bearing which is sealed off at both sides and whose ball bearings ~~{7}~~ are guided in a cage ~~{6}~~.